INTERVIEW SUMMARY

The undersigned attorney telephoned the Examiner on 06/03/2008 and scheduled an interview for 3:00 PM 06/10/2008. The participants were the Examiner, her supervisor Ms. Lun-Yi Lao and the undersigned attorney. Also on 06/03/2008 the undersigned attorney emailed the Examiner a proposed response, substantially as set forth herein except for this Interview Summary portion.

During the interview on 06/10/2008 the participants discussed (primarily) Chen et al. (US 2004/0233910 A1) and Iwatani (US 2001/0054093 A1). The undersigned attorney stated that he respectfully disagreed with the Examiner's interpretation and use of Chen et al. in the rejections, such as the reliance placed by the Examiner on Figures 5 and 6, and paragraphs [0059] and [0060] of Chen et al.. Agreement was not reached. A follow-up interview was scheduled for 10:00 AM 06/16/2008.

During the interview on 06/16/2008 the participants again discussed Chen et al. (US 2004/0233910 A1), and again agreement was not reached. The position of the Examiner and her supervisor appears to be that item 240 in Figures 3 and 4 (storage server) is a SAN management server, and functions so as to read on the pending claims as stated in the Office Action.

The undersigned attorney hereby reiterates his position that the storage server 240 of Chen et al. is not described in such a manner as to anticipate the pending claims. The detailed reasoning for this position is set forth in the ensuing Remarks section, which the Examiner is respectfully requested to once more review and carefully consider.